

served. It is therefore requested that raiyats may be allowed to take free of charge all kinds of timber and bamboos required for *bond fide* purposes.

Reply of Government.—Cannot be done. Special privileges have already been conceded in the malnad under the Raiyats' Privilege Rules of 1896 and Notification No. 245—1300, dated 2nd October 1901.

SUBJECT No. 191.

Levy of a uniform rate of two annas on all waddar carts laden with bamboos, etc., removed from the State Forests.

Mr. Lakshminarasimhaachar, Channarayana Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As it was represented that the levy of a fee of four annas for a cart-load of firewood or bamboos removed (by means of waddar carts) was heavy, Government were pleased to order the reduction of the same by half; but the Conservator has issued orders for reducing the fee in the case of firewood only, and the former rate of four annas is still being levied on bamboos and charcoal. It is therefore prayed that a uniform rate of two annas be prescribed on all articles removed from State Forests by means of waddar carts.

Reply of Government.—No further concession is necessary. The produce can be removed in proper carts.

SUBJECT No. 192.

Private stamps for marking timber logs.

Mr. Kesavaiah, Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Licenses to remove timber from private coffee holdings are not granted unless the logs are marked with private seals which are duly registered. As this is a hardship to people owning small extents of such land, the restriction may be removed.

For registering the stamp a fee of five rupees has to be paid, which is too much to be paid by the smaller coffee planters. It also encourages fraudulent practices as the licenses have to be issued free and so, if a coffee planter who has obtained a stamp, stamps it, it is possible to take away the timber.

Reply of Government.—The question whether the fee of five rupees should be insisted upon for the registration of the stamp in the case of owners of small estates will be referred to the Conservator of Forests for opinion.

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SUBJECT No. 193.

Currency of clipped and worn-out coins.

Mr. M. Hassan Ali Beg, Mysore City Municipality.

Acceptance of worn-out silver coins.

Mr. Amble Anniah Pandit, Yedatore Taluk.

Uncurrent coins to be taken by Government.

Mr. K. Ramanujaiengar, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that orders may be issued for the currency of worn-out coins. These are not received even when brought as part of remittances.

It is prayed that orders be issued to the Amildars, shanbhogs and patels for accepting silver coins worn-out by wear when tendered towards Land Revenue. They refuse to receive such coins at present.

Worn-out or notched Government coins should be detained in the treasury and not put in circulation.